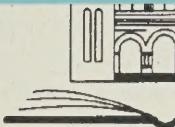


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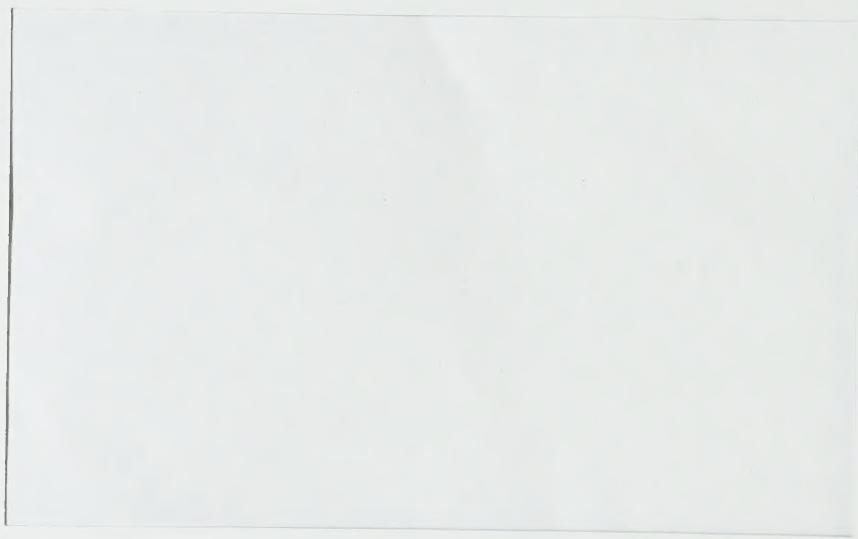


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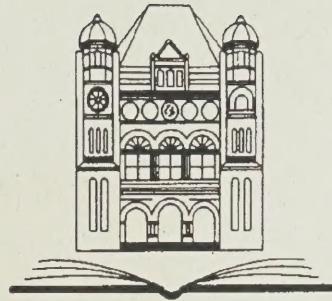
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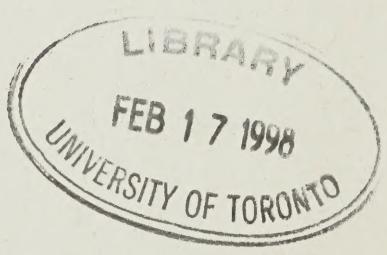
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## INTRODUCTION

This is an annotated bibliography of policy documents released by the Government of Ontario since June 1995. It is intended to serve as a guide to help Members, researchers and interested readers gain an understanding of the major policy initiatives of the Conservative government since their election to office. Documents annotated in this paper cover the entire policy spectrum, from the discussion paper stage, to public consultations, to interim and final reports, to programme and service descriptions.

This bibliography includes some Minister's Statements, speeches and news releases because they provide good - and in some cases the only - documentation of a particular policy. There is no attempt to capture the full scope of partisan debate by listing all ministerial and opposition critics' releases and speeches, or exchanges in the House or Committee.

The annotations included here are adopted from the various policy documents themselves and are edited and synthesized as required.

This document is current as of May 29, 1997.

For readers' information, the following Ministries maintain archives of news releases:

- Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, from March 1997  
[<http://www.gov.on.ca/OMAFRA/english/about/new/press.html>;](http://www.gov.on.ca/OMAFRA/english/about/new/press.html)
- Attorney General, from May 1996 [<http://ww2.newswire.ca/cgi-bin/organization.cgi?ref=OMAG>;](http://ww2.newswire.ca/cgi-bin/organization.cgi?ref=OMAG)
- Citizenship, Culture and Recreation, from September 1996  
[<http://www.gov.on.ca/MCZCR/english/about/pubs.htm>;](http://www.gov.on.ca/MCZCR/english/about/pubs.htm)
- Community and Social Services, from June 1996  
[<http://www.gov.on.ca/CSS/page/news/news.html>;](http://www.gov.on.ca/CSS/page/news/news.html)
- Consumer and Commercial Relations, no press releases kept on their site;
- Education and Training, from January 1994  
[<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/nr/nr.html>;](http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/nr/nr.html)
- Environment and Energy, from July 1995  
[<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/news/index.htm>;](http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/news/index.htm)
- Finance, from July 1995 [<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/engnews.html>;](http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/engnews.html)
- Office of Francophone Affairs, no archive maintained;
- Health, from May 1996  
[<http://www.gov.on.ca/health/english/news/release/release.html>;](http://www.gov.on.ca/health/english/news/release/release.html)
- Labour, from February 1997 (will be available for a 12 month period only)  
[<http://www.gov.on.ca/LAB/ann/announce.htm>;](http://www.gov.on.ca/LAB/ann/announce.htm)
- Management Board Secretariat:

- MBS site contains a few press releases dating back to March 1996; no comprehensive archive  
[<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/mbs/releases/states.html>;](http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/mbs/releases/states.html)
- Government of Ontario site maintains a What's New archive dating back to July 1996  
[<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/new/archive/index.html>](http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/new/archive/index.html). This site contains press releases, backgrounders, reports and other documents;
- Municipal Affairs and Housing, from January 1996  
[<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/inthnews/press-e.htm>;](http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/inthnews/press-e.htm)
- Natural Resources, from October 1995  
[<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/csb/news/mainnews.html>;](http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/csb/news/mainnews.html)
- Northern Development and Mines, from January 1996  
[<http://www.gov.on.ca/MNDM/pub/newrel/newrele.htm>;](http://www.gov.on.ca/MNDM/pub/newrel/newrele.htm)
- Office of Privatization, from March 1997  
[<http://www.gov.on.ca/privatiz/english/pressrel.htm>;](http://www.gov.on.ca/privatiz/english/pressrel.htm)
- Solicitor General and Correctional Services does not maintain a site;
- Transportation, from May 1996 [<http://ww2.newswire.ca/cgi-bin/organization.cgi?ref=OMOT>;](http://ww2.newswire.ca/cgi-bin/organization.cgi?ref=OMOT)
- Women's Directorate, no archive maintained.

It should be noted that these archives may not be comprehensive in the sense that all news releases may not be archived. The Legislative Library, however, does maintain a complete archive of news releases in its collection.

## AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

-----. *Ontario Agriculture and Rural Advisory Services Study Report*, May 6, 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/OMAFRA/english/infores/recrep.html>>.

Terry Daynard and Frank Ingratta, ADMs in the Ministry, were commissioned in November 1996 to make recommendations on how field/advisory services of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) might be altered to best meet the needs of rural and agricultural sectors of Ontario in the decade ahead.

-----. *Discussion paper on the Farm Practices Protection Act*, January 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/OMAFRA/english/busdev/fppdiscussion.html>>.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs conducted a formal review of the *Farm Practices Protection Act* using this discussion paper as the basis for public consultations. The review of the *Farm Practices Protection Act* is being conducted at the same time as consultations on broader municipal reform. The review of the *Farm Practices Protection Act* must address the need to balance the increased authority the municipalities will have with farmers' needs for right-to-farm legislation.

-----. *Alternative livestock survey: Ontario ratite producers report*, October 1996. CA2 ON A..... 1996 A46.

This report assesses the size and economic impact of the province's ratite (i.e., emus, ostriches and rheas) industry.

-----. *1996 Ontario horse industry report*, August 1996. CA2 ON A..... 1996 O53.

This report is the product of extensive surveys conducted by the Ministry and the Ontario Equestrian Federation of the non-racing, racing and heavy horse equine industry in Ontario. The report illustrates the types of individuals, operations, and organizations which are involved in the breeding, training, competition and sales of horses and other aspects of the agriculture industry.

-----. *Grow Ontario Investment Program: reinvesting in Ontario's agriculture, food and rural sector for growth & prosperity*, 1996. CA2 ON A..... .... G65.

This pamphlet describes the GrowOntario investment programme, which aims to attract matching funds for innovative projects in research, marketing and competitiveness, initially announced in the May 1996 budget.

-----. *Helping Ontario grow: services for farmers and rural Ontario*, 1995. CA2 ON A..... H25.

This pamphlet describes the services provided by the Ministry for farmers and rural Ontario, including farm business management, crop technology, livestock technology, environmental sustainability, rural leadership and organization development.

-----, Creative Research International. *OMAFRA client service assessment: final report*, Nov. 1995. CA2 ON A..... 1995 O51.

Creative Research International was commissioned to conduct this assessment of client needs and satisfaction for the Ministry in 1995.

-----. *Ontario food processing industry: strategy for success*, 1995. CA2 ON A..... 1995 O52.

In 1991, the Ministry developed and implemented a strategy designed to improve the ability of Ontario's food processing companies to be more competitive in global markets. This strategy was evaluated in 1994. This document contains recommendations to improve this strategy.

-----, Ministry of Transportation. *Southern Ontario - rural rail rationalization*, 1995. CA2 ON T..... 1995 S55.

In 1993, CN and CP received permission from the National Transportation Agency to consolidate operations between de Beaujeu, Quebec, and Yellek, Ontario, abandoning 175 miles of track in the Ottawa valley in the process. The Ministries commissioned this study to examine rail rationalization in southwestern Ontario and to identify its likely effect on the rural economy of the study area with particular reference to the grains industry. The study's overall objective includes the identification of practical options to support an improved distribution system for southwestern Ontario's grain.

## **ATTORNEY GENERAL**

No policy documents are available on the Ministry's website; however, a number of documents have been published in paper format.

-----. Commission of Inquiry into Events of March 18, 1996 at Queen's Park, *Report of the Commission of Inquiry into Events of March 18, 1996 at Queen's Park*, 1996. CA2 ON Z..203 1996 A01.

This is the official report of the investigation conducted by Willard Estey into the events at Queen's Park on 18 March 1996. The report also contains a series of recommendations to improve the Assembly's security services.

-----, McLeod, Koderick, Miller Thomson. *A report and recommendations on amendments to the Police Services Act respecting civilian oversight of police*, November 1996. CA2 ON AG.... 1996 R26.

In October 1996, the Attorney General appointed Rod McLeod of the firm Miller Thomson to review Civilian Oversight of Policing in Ontario. This is McLeod's report.

-----, *Report to the Attorney General of Ontario on certain matters relating to Karla Homolka*, 1996. CA2 ON AG.... 1996 R21.

In November 1995, the Attorney General appointed Patrick Galligan to inquire into and report to him on certain matters relating to two decisions respecting Karla Homolka made by officials in the Ministry of the Attorney General. This is Galligan's report.

-----, Ministry of the Solicitor General and Correctional Services. *Alternative Measures Program: policy and procedures manual*, 1995. CA2 ON AG.... 1995 A45.

This manual describes the Alternative Measures Programme, which is designed to allow young persons charged with certain types of criminal offenses to participate in a programme outside the formal court process instead of being sentenced by a judge.

-----, *Report of the Special Advisor to the Attorney General on legal aid*, 1995. CA2 ON AG.... 1995 R27.

Stanley Beck was appointed in September 1995 to investigate whether the Law Society of Upper Canada, as administrator of Legal Aid, was capable of managing the certificate programme within the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding reached in September 1994. Beck also made recommendations to ensure that Legal Aid could operate within the agreed upon budget.

## CITIZENSHIP, CULTURE AND RECREATION

No policy documents are available on the Ministry's website; however, a number of documents have been published in paper format.

-----, *A strategy for amateur sport in Ontario*, October 1996. CA2 ON CQ.... 1996 S71.

This document presents a framework for the Ontario government's involvement in amateur sport and describes various proposals for supporting amateur sport.

## COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES

----- *Making Services Work for People: A new framework for children and for people with developmental disabilities*, April 30, 1997  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/CSS/page/news/apr3097b.html>>.

In this document, MCSS sets out its new framework for the provision of services to children and people with developmental disabilities. The scope of the framework includes all services and supports funded by MCSS through agreements with organizations that provide services to individuals and families, or purchase services for them; and services directly operated by the Ministry in these program areas.

----- *Welfare Fraud Hotline Status Report*, April 9, 1997  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/CSS/page/news/fraudnr.html>>.

A status report on calls received by the Province's welfare fraud hotline. Between October 1995 and November 1996 the welfare fraud hotline received 27,801 calls. As outlined in the Report, over 18,000 of the calls were fraud allegations and were referred to local social assistance offices for further investigation.

----- *Survey Finds Majority Leaving Welfare For Jobs*, Levy-Coughlin Partnership, October 24, 1996  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/CSS/page/news/oct2496.html>>.

The results of an independent survey commissioned by MCSS found that the majority of respondents left the welfare system for the workforce. The survey found that more than 180,000 people left Ontario's welfare system between June 1995 and September 1996. The survey was conducted in August 1996. More than 2,100 former welfare recipients agreed to participate voluntarily. This sample is made up of people who left the system in May 1996. The findings are accurate within plus or minus 1.6%, 19 times out of 20.

----- Janet Ecker. *Improving Ontario's Child Care System*, September 5, 1996 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/CSS/page/brochure/ccrev.html>>.

This discussion paper was designed to generate informed commentary and to assist the then-PA to MCSS Janet Ecker in formulating the Ministry's new policy on child care.

-----. *Community Living for People with Developmental Disabilities*, July 23, 1996 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/CSS/page/news/jul2396.html>>.

This is a Backgrounder published by MCSS to provide information on the opportunities for community living for people with developmental disabilities.

-----. *A guide to Ontario Works*, June 1996. CA2 ON SS.... .... G751.

This pamphlet describes the Ontario Works programme, which requires social assistance recipients to perform community service work or take training that will lead to immediate jobs in exchange for social assistance benefits. The programme was announced in June 1996.

## **CONSUMER AND COMMERCIAL RELATIONS**

No policy documents or discussion papers are available on the Ministry's website.

-----. *Condominium Act: Proposals for Change*, 1996. CA2 ON CC.... 1996 C51.

This document provided the basis for the 1996 consultations on reforming the *Condominium Act* undertaken by Jim Flaherty, PA to the Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations. The document also outlines the Ministry's proposals for change.

-----. *A guide to Ministry services*, 1995. CA2 ON CC.... .... G75.

This pamphlet provides an overview of services provided by the Ministry in 1995.

## **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

-----, Gregg, Kelly, Sullivan & Woolstencroft, The Strategic Counsel Inc. *Focus group report to the Ontario Ministry of Education and Training*, January 1996. CA2 ON ED.... 1996 F53.

Gregg, Kelly, Sullivan & Woolstencroft: The Strategic Counsel Inc. were commissioned in 1995 to conduct a series of focus groups on behalf of the Ministry in order to test messages and communications vehicles which school boards could use in their efforts to reduce expenditures, and to understand better public awareness and attitudes towards the issues of the amount of scheduled preparation time that teachers are allowed.

## **Education Restructuring**

----- *Draft Guidelines for Trustee Determination and Distribution for the Municipal Elections of November 1997*; May 1997  
<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/resource/trustee.html>>.

The *Fewer School Boards Act, 1997* (Bill 104), which received Royal Assent in May 1997, necessitated the development of two regulations: one regulation that establishes the new district school boards and their boundaries; and a second regulation that sets new procedures for the determination of the number of trustees for each of the new school boards, and for the distribution of those trustees within the new school boards. This document outlines the major components that the second regulation is expected to contain.

## **Curriculum and Policy Documents**

----- *Excellence in Education: Student-Focused Funding for Ontario, A Guide Book*, May 1997  
(<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/brochure/exclfue.html>).

This guide book introduces the government's plan for education funding reform, and also serves as a discussion paper for consultations held over the summer of 1997.

----- *Excellence in Education: Ontario's Plan for Reform*, Winter 1997  
<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/brochure/excele.html>>.

In a letter to Ontarians, the Minister of Education and Training, John Snobelen, outlined the government's plan for education reform in Ontario, including plans for education funding and curriculum re-design.

Links to the following documents published prior to 1995 can be found at  
<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/curricul/curricul.html>>:

- *Antiracism and Ethnocultural Equity in School Boards: Guidelines for Policy Development and Implementation*, 1993;
- *Broad-based Technological Education: Grades 10, 11, and 12*, 1995;
- *The Common Curriculum: Policies and Outcomes, Grades 1-9*, 1995;
- *Co-operative Education: Policies and Procedures for Ontario Secondary Schools*, 1989;
- *Native Languages: Primary, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Division Curriculum Guideline*, 1987;
- *Ontario Student Record (OSR): Guideline*, 1989;
- *Personal Life Management: Curriculum Guideline, Intermediate and Senior Divisions*, 1985;
- *Philosophy: Ontario Academic Course*, 1994

----- *Violence-Free Schools Policy*, 1994.

## Resource Documents

Links to the following documents published prior to 1995 can be found at <<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/resource/resource.html>>:

- *Safe Schools: Ideas Book for Students*, 1994
- *Education About Religion in Ontario Public Elementary Schools*, 1994
- *Opening or Closing Exercises for Public Schools in Ontario*, 1993
- *Hearing and Communication, All Divisions, 1992: A Resource Guide*
- *Special Education Monographs, No. 4: Students With Autism*, 1990
- *Native Languages: A Support Document for The Teaching of Native Languages*, 1989
- *Continuing Education: A Resource Document*, 1987

## Reports

----- *A report on school board spending, 1995 to 1996*, January 1997. CA2 ON ED.... 1997 R27.

This study, prepared by KPMG, is the first of what will become yearly reports on school board spending in Ontario. The report includes tables on school board expenditures and compares it with province-wide averages.

-----, Ernst & Young. *Review of cost savings estimates resulting from school board governance changes*, January 1997. CA2 ON ED.... 1997 R21.

Ernst & Young was commissioned in late 1996 to review and comment on the Ministry's estimate of annual savings associated with a number of proposed changes in school board's governance. This is their report.

----- *Ontario Francophone access to and participation in postsecondary education, 1979-1995: an update*, September 1996. CA2 ON ED.... 1996 O521.

Provides an extensive overview of the state of Francophone access to and participation in postsecondary education in Ontario compared to other jurisdictions over the past 15 years.

----- *Ontario School Board Reduction Task Force: Final Report*, 1996  
<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/reports/sweeneng.pdf>>.

The Ontario School Board Reduction Task Force was established on February 22, 1995, to advise the Minister of Education and Training on how to reduce the number of school boards and trustees in Ontario. Following six months of deliberations and meetings with representatives of stakeholder groups and

people who had been involved in restructuring in the education sector and elsewhere, it released an Interim Report for public consultation containing recommendations for amalgamations of existing school boards and the creation of French-language school boards. This Final Report includes the results of those consultations and the Task Force's final recommendations. Maps are included to show proposed new boundaries for each board.

-----. *Review of the School Boards'/Teachers' Collective Negotiations Process in Ontario, 1996*  
<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/reports/collect.html>>.

In August 1996, Leon Paroian was appointed by the Minister of Education and Training to provide advice and recommendations on collective bargaining by teachers and school boards. Specifically, his mandate included reviewing the effectiveness and efficiency of the school-board/teacher collective bargaining process, as well as of the administrative and adjudicative processes established by the Education Relations Commission to administer the Act.

-----. *Education Funding in Ontario, 1996*  
<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/reports/edfunde.pdf>>.

This annual document provides a detailed description of Ontario's education funding system, including the shared roles and responsibilities of both the provincial government and local school boards.

-----. *Report on School Board Taxes, 1996*, Background paper  
<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/reports/bp2eng.pdf>>.

The data on school board taxes contained in this report have been prepared for public information and comparisons. Material on grant change is based on school board financial submissions. Tax changes were compiled from information obtained from school boards.

-----. *Excellence, Accessibility, Responsibility: Report of the Advisory Panel on Future Directions for Postsecondary Education*, December 16, 1996  
<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/reports/futuree.html>>.

In July 1996, the Minister of Education and Training established the Advisory Panel on Future Directions for Post-secondary Education. The Panel was asked to consult with the post-secondary community and the public and advise on a policy framework for post-secondary education, including funding and cooperation.

-----. *Analysis of Capital Funding for School Facilities, Final Report*, September 1996

In March 1996, the Ministry of Education and Training appointed the Study Team to examine the following questions:

1. What is the demand for capital for new pupil places in Ontario now and how much demand will there be over the next 25 years?
2. What is the demand for capital for facility renewal and/or facility replacement?
3. How can the demand for new pupil places be reduced?
4. How can the capital costs of constructing these pupil places be reduced?
5. What alternatives are available for the financing of the capital funds required?
6. What changes, if any, are required to the current Capital Grant Plan to facilitate the above?

----- *Report to the Minister: The Working Group on Education Finance Reform*, June 1996

<[http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/reports/finref\\_e.pdf](http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/reports/finref_e.pdf)>.

The Working Group was created in 1995 to provide recommendations on:

- changes to the current education funding model to ensure greater equity and fairness for students in the range of programs and services available across the province;
- steps that can be taken for further sharing of revenue to ensure boards have the funding necessary to support their expenditures; and
- ways to ensure accountability on the part of the province and school boards.

-----, Canada, Council of Ontario Universities, Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada, Association of Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology of Ontario, Income-Contingent Repayment Plan. *Final report of the Income-Contingent Repayment Plan Symposium, 1995*. CA2 ON ED.... 1995 F36.

This is the final report of a two-day symposium held in Toronto in September 1994 on the question of whether an income-contingent repayment plan would be an improvement over the current student loan system.

----- *Franco-Ontarian Education and Training Council: Activity Report, January 1994 – June 1995*

<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/reports/edfunde.pdf>>.

This report describes the council's activities since it was restructured on January 25, 1994, and presents the council's memoranda to the Minister. These memoranda, reproduced at the end of this report, relate to key sectors of education and training in French-speaking Ontario.

-----, Dr. Stephen Lawton, Dr. Mark Ryall, and Dr. Teresa Menzies. *A Study on Costs*, August 1996  
<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/reports/bp1eng.pdf>>.

Using Statistics Canada data, public education costs in Ontario can be estimated as \$6917 per student for 1995/96 – \$319 higher than the weighted average of the other nine Canadian provinces. Given Ontario's enrolment, this amounts to extra costs of \$650 million, or about 4.8% in total costs. However, adjusting the Statistics Canada data for temporary changes in the method of accounting for capital costs and pension contributions, Ontario spent \$7242 per student in 1995/96 – which is \$644 per student above the weighted average of the other nine provinces and amounts to extra costs of \$1310 million, or 9.7%.

Links to the following reports published prior to June 1995 can be found at <<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/reports/reports.html>>:

- . *For the Love of Learning: Report of the Royal Commission on Learning*, 1995;
- . *Reducing the Barriers to Access and Success: Report of the School Colleges Project, Advisory and Implementation Committee to the Minister of Education and Training*, November 1994;
- . *Reducing the Barriers to Access and Success: Executive Summary*, November 1994;
- . *Future Directions for the Provincial and Demonstration Schools: A Report to Stakeholders*, 1994;
- . *Report of the Minister of Education and Training*, 1994-95;
- . *Employment Profile: 1993-94 Graduates of Ontario Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology*;
- . *Report of the Minister of Education and Training*, 1993-94;
- . *Report of the Review of Student Care at the Provincial Schools for the Deaf and Blind and Demonstration Schools*, December 1991.

## **Discussion Papers**

- . *Excellence in Education: High School Reform*, 1996  
<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/discussi/excellen.html>>.

The paper presents proposals for reform and invites public input on four key areas: how many and which courses should be compulsory; how to integrate co-op education into a new high school program; the role of provincial testing; and how Grade 9 fits into the new program. This paper provided the basis for the public consultations conducted by Toni Skarica, former PA to the Minister of Education and Training, in the winter of 1997.

-----. *Curriculum for Ontario Secondary Schools, 1996*  
<<http://www.edu.on.ca/eng/document/discussi/curricul.html>>

This paper provides information about the proposed new curriculum, with its emphasis on high standards, and includes the proposed schedule for development of the new curriculum

-----. *Ontario Secondary Schools (1998): Detailed Discussion Document, 1996* <<http://www.edu.on.ca/eng/document/discussi/oss.html>>.

This document sets out the goals, priorities and requirements, including related options, that the Ministry of Education and Training is proposing will govern the program in secondary schools in Ontario. It outlines the expectations of the ministry for programs in Grades 9 to 12, including the proposed principles that would guide curriculum development and the requirements for the awarding of the Ontario secondary school diploma.

-----. *Consultation Guide for Ontario Secondary Schools (1998), Detailed Discussion Document, 1996*  
<<http://www.edu.on.ca/eng/document/discussi/guide.html>>.

The Consultation Guide is organized into two general areas for public response: Part 1 asks for input on the key elements of the proposed new Secondary School Program, which are described in detail in the document. Part 2 asks for input on the key elements of the proposed new Guidance and Career Education Policy for Grades 1 to 12, which are described in detail in the document.

-----. *Discussion Paper: Apprenticeship Reform, December 1996*  
<<http://www.edu.on.ca/eng/document/brochure/exclfue.html>>.

This discussion paper was written to encourage public involvement in the reform of apprenticeship training in Ontario. It outlines the challenges facing the apprenticeship training system and the alternatives the Ontario government is considering. It then poses questions for public input.

-----. *Meeting Students' Needs: What Does Ontario's Education Funding Model Need to Include?, September 19, 1996*  
<<http://www.edu.on.ca/eng/document/discussi/meeting1.html>>.

This paper outlines problems in the current education funding system, proposes a set of principles for a new model, describes the basic features of the model now being developed, and presents several issues for discussion. Its purpose is to generate public input that will help the Ontario government construct a new funding model.

----- *Future Goals for Ontario Colleges and Universities*, July 1996  
<<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/discussi/postdeng.pdf>>.

In the November 29, 1995 *Fiscal and Economic Statement*, the Minister of Finance announced the government's intention to release a discussion paper on the future goals of Ontario's colleges and universities. A product of that commitment, this paper sets out for discussion such issues as: the balance between student, private sector, and provincial government shares of postsecondary funding, accessibility, program rationalization, and co-operation among the public educational institutions.

## **ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY**

----- *1994 and 1995 Discharge Reports*, 1997  
<<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/discharge/index.htm>>.

The Ministry of Environment and Energy regularly prepares discharge reports on industrial plants and municipal sewage treatment plants that fail to comply with effluent limits contained in certificates of approval, control orders or ministry wastewater policies and guidelines. This report, like its predecessors, contains information on the name and location of the non-complying plant, the type of concern and the status of remedial action being undertaken.

----- *Proposal for an Interim Ambient Air Quality Criterion for Inhalable Particulate Matter (PM10)*, May 21, 1997  
<<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/programs/proppm.htm>>.

MOEE is currently working in partnership with Environment Canada, Health Canada and other Canadian provinces to develop both Particulate Matter (PM)10 and PM2.5 air quality objectives. As described in this discussion paper, however, MOEE decided to establish an interim ambient air quality criterion (AAQC) for PM10 in Ontario on its own. The interim AAQC will serve as Ministry policy to provide guidance for environmental protection decisions in Ontario and as an interim goal for assessing the effectiveness of ongoing and future Inhalable Particulate/Respirable Particulate (IP/RP) initiatives as part of Ontario's SMOG Plan.

----- *Spills Action Centre Summary Report*, March 26, 1997  
<<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/spills/>>.

The 1995 *Spills Action Centre Summary Report* confirms a downward trend in spills to the Great Lakes system. In 1995, there were 229 spills into the Great Lakes system down from a high of 549 in 1991.

-----, United States. Environmental Protection Agency. *National ambient air quality standards proposed decisions on particulate matter and ozone*, March 1997. CA2 ON EV.... 1997 N11.

Ontario's submission to the United States Environmental Protection Agency hearings on new particulate matter and ozone standards.

-----. *Ontario Government's Response to USEPA's Proposal on Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter and Ozone*, March 14, 1997  
<<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/smog/index.htm>>.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing new standards for ground-level ozone and fine particulate matter, the two main constituents of smog. This is Ontario's formal response to those proposals.

-----. *Transfer of provincially-owned water and sewage plants to municipalities*, January 1997. CA2 ON EV.... .... T66.

This pamphlet describes the change in policy regarding provincially-owned sewage plants as a result of the passage of the *Water and Sewage Services Improvement Act*, 1997.

-----. *Municipalities assume responsibility for private septic systems*, January 1997. CA2 ON EV.... .... M71.

This pamphlet describes the change in policy regarding private septic systems as a result of the passage of the *Water and Sewage Services Improvement Act*, 1997.

-----. *1992 Status Report on Ontario's air, water and waste*, Winter 1996  
<<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/status/index.htm>>.

This is an incomplete draft working report, commissioned by the previous NDP government, and terminated in February 1995. It was released publicly by the present government in response to a freedom of information request. The Report contains information on the levels of pollution in Ontario's air, water and land, and the trends for key pollutants within these media. Additional information is presented on an ecosystem basis for acid rain, one of Ontario's major environmental concerns.

-----. *Meeting the Challenge of Climate Change: 1996 update on initiatives in Ontario to reduce greenhouse gas emissions*, December 12, 1996  
<<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/climate/index.htm>>.

This document contains a list of initiatives undertaken to meet the national climate change objective of stabilizing greenhouse gas emissions at 1990

levels by the year 2000. The initiatives listed in this report include actions by all levels of government and all sectors of the economy, including the agricultural, forestry, industrial, residential, transportation, commercial, institutional and energy supply sectors.

-----, Plastics Institute of Canada Proctor and Redfern Ltd. *Recycling collection cost model: version 2.0: final report*, October 1996. CA2 ON EV.... 1996 R211.

Not available for annotation at time of publication.

-----, *Government review of the countdown companies 1993 and 1994 acid gas emission audits: (final report)*, October 1996. CA2 ON EV.... 1996 G56.

This report summarizes the results of environmental compliance audits of four major acid rain producers in the province of Ontario for 1993 and 1994: INCO, Falconbridge, Algoma Steel and Ontario Hydro's fossil-fueled generating plants.

-----, *Noise assessment criteria in land use planning: requirements, procedures and implementation*, September 1996. CA2 ON EV.... 1996 N51.

This document contains information relating to the details of technical assessment and review of noise impact on planned sensitive land uses. It specifies the conditions under which noise studies may be required, as well as the appropriate assessment methods and procedures.

-----, *Reforming Environment and Energy Regulation in Ontario: Responsive Environmental Protection (Discussion Paper)*, September 15, 1996  
<<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/reform/index.htm>>.

From November 1995 to June 1996, Parliamentary Assistant Dr. Doug Galt consulted with more than 200 representatives of industry, municipalities and environmental groups on regulations administered by MOEE. This paper contains a number of reform proposals which emerged from that consultation process. This paper was used as the basis for additional public consultation between September 15 and October 15, 1996.

-----, Ontario. Grand River Conservation Authority. *Clean up rural beaches: final report, 1991-1996*, July 1996. CA2 ON NRC.10 1996 C46.

This is the final report of the Grand River Conservation Area Clean Up Rural Beaches programme launched in September 1991 and finished in March 1996.

-----, *Towards a smog plan for Ontario: summary of June 19th and 20th, 1996 stakeholders workshop*, July 1996. CA2 ON EV.... 1996 T572.

This document summarizes the proceedings of a workshop held in June 1996 by stakeholders on developing a smog plan for Ontario.

----- *Draft supporting document for Towards a smog plan for Ontario: a discussion paper*, June 1996. CA2 ON EV.... 1996 T571.

This discussion paper is part of a broader regional, national and international plan to deal with the issue of smog. Sections of the paper include:

- intergovernmental activities;
- linkage of smog to other environmental issues;
- health effects of inhalable particulates and ozone;
- impact of exposure on vegetation in Ontario;
- reduction activities and strategic opportunities; and
- benefits-cost analyses of inhalable particulates and ozone objectives in Ontario.

----- *A Framework for Competition. The Report of the Advisory Committee on Competition in Ontario's Electricity System to the Ontario Minister of Environment and Energy*, June 7, 1996

<<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/macdonald/index.htm>>.

The seven-member committee was created by the province in late 1995. Chaired by former federal cabinet minister Donald S. Macdonald, the committee was asked to study Ontario's electricity system and recommend ways to make it more competitive. The committee's major recommendations hinged on two fundamental principles: an end to Ontario Hydro's monopoly control over electricity generation and transmission, and the introduction of competition among power generators, who would have open access to the provincial transmission system.

----- *New Standards for Landfilling Sites: Proposed Regulatory Standards for New Landfilling Sites Accepting Non-Hazardous Waste*, June 6, 1996

<<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/landfill/index.htm>>.

Requirements for the design and operation of land fill sites are defined in Ontario Regulation 347 under Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act*. The current regulatory requirements identify general areas of environmental concern which must be addressed before the Ministry of Environment & Energy issues a certificate of approval for a site.

Specific details of any potential environmental impacts (e.g. on groundwater or surface water) and how they can be addressed are dealt with on a site-specific basis in the process of obtaining the certificate of approval.

The changes proposed in this paper are the result of work carried out by the Ministry with technical advice provided by M.M. Dillon Limited. The paper was released as part of a 30-day public consultation program by the Ministry.

-----. *Towards a smog plan for Ontario: a discussion paper*, June 1996. CA2 ON EV.... 1996 T57.

This document summarizes the extent of Ontario's smog problem and discusses proposals to reduce the emissions which contribute to smog. It was used as the basis for the Ministry's consultation process in June 1996.

-----. *Water pollution monitoring costs in Ontario: comparison of estimated and actual costs*, June 1996. CA2 ON EV.... 1996 W16.

This report describes the monitoring activities required by the Municipal Industrial Strategy for Abatement, which is intended to achieve the "virtual elimination of toxic contaminants in municipal and industrial discharges into Ontario waterways."

-----. *Guideline for use at Contaminated Sites in Ontario*, June 20, 1996  
<<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/decomm/index.htm>>.

This is a revised guideline for use when property owners are cleaning up and/or redeveloping contaminated property in Ontario. This Guideline replaces the Guidelines for the Decommissioning and Clean-up of Sites in Ontario, dated February 1989 and the Interim Guidelines for the Assessment and Management of Petroleum Contaminated Sites in Ontario, dated August 1993, issued by the Ministry of the Environment.

-----. *Fast Reference Emission Document*, May 1996. CA2 ON EV.665 1996 F16.

This document compiles air emission data from the emission inventories of various government agencies. "Its purpose is to provide a quick and comprehensive look at air emissions of standard pollutants (SO<sub>2</sub> Nox, VOC, CO and particulate matter) in Ontario, Canada and the United States." This document replaces the 1991 edition of the emissions document.

-----. Energy Board Ontario. *Advisory report to the Minister of Environment and Energy on utility diversification*, May 1996. CA2 ON E..300 1996 A26.

In response to a request from the Minister, the Board conducted a public forum to receive stakeholder input, and retained expert advisors, in order to assess the risks and benefits of diversification and to identify the regulatory controls that would be required to protect ratepayers. This report is the product of that forum, along with the Board's recommendations.

-----. *Scientific criteria document for the development of an interim provincial water quality objective for aniline*, April 1996. CA2 ON EV.... 1996 S112.

This document sets out scientific criteria for the development of an interim provincial water quality objective for aniline.

-----, Energy. Dixon, Michael, Aquatic Sciences Inc., Hutchins, International Ltd. *A high intensity ultraviolet light source and delivery system for remote sterilization: final report*, February 1996. CA2 ON EV.855 1996 H33.

This document sets out to establish the lethality of a high intensity ultraviolet light source in controlling zebra mussel populations in fresh water and to test a system capable of remote subaquatic delivery of lethal levels of ultraviolet radiation.

-----. *Scientific criteria document for the development of an interim provincial water quality objective for antimony*, January 1996. CA2 ON EV.... 1996 S11.

This document sets out scientific criteria for the development of an interim provincial water quality objective for antimony.

-----. *Protocol for sampling and evaluating fly ash from non-hazardous solid waste incineration facilities*, January 1996. CA2 ON EV.... 1996 P67.

This report contains guidelines for municipal solid waste incinerator ash handling and fly ash sampling resulting from the incineration of waste that is neither hazardous waste nor liquid industrial waste.

-----. Canada. Dept. of the Environment, Pollution Probe. *Memorandum of understanding (MOU) on the Health Care Mercury Elimination and Reduction Challenge Project between the Pollution Probe Foundation, Environment Canada and the Ontario Ministry of Environment and Energy and the hospital sector in Ontario*, 1996. CA2 ON EV.... 1996 M27.

The memorandum outlines the purpose, responsibilities, goals, milestones and proposed accomplishments of the pollution prevention plan agreed upon by the four signatories.

-----, Halton Region Conservation Authority. *Clean Up Rural Beaches plan (CURB) for the Sixteen Mile Creek watershed*, 1996. CA2 ON NRC.90 1996 C46.

This report is one of a series produced under the Provincial Rural Beaches Programme. The objective of the programme is to identify the relative impact of pollution sources, and develop a course of action leading to the restoration and long term maintenance of acceptable water quality at rural beaches in the province.

-----, Ontario. Rideau Valley Conservation Authority. *Clean Up Rural Beaches (CURB) plan for the Rideau River watershed*, 1996. CA2 ON NRC.58 1996 C46.

This report is one of a series produced under the Provincial Rural Beaches Programme. The objective of the programme is to identify the relative impact of pollution sources, and develop a course of action leading to the restoration and long term maintenance of acceptable water quality at rural beaches in the province.

-----, St. Clair Region Conservation Authority Ontario. *Clean Up Rural Beaches (CURB) plan for the Bear Creek, Perch Creek, Highland Creek and Coldstream*, 1996. CA2 ON NRC.92 1996 C46.

This report is one of a series produced under the Provincial Rural Beaches Programme. The objective of the programme is to identify the relative impact of pollution sources, and develop a course of action leading to the restoration and long term maintenance of acceptable water quality at rural beaches in the province.

-----. *Bringing lakes back to life with pure oxygen (hypolimnetic or bottom water oxygenation)*, November 1995. CA2 ON EV.... .... B64.

This fact sheet reviews the Ministry's recent efforts at using bottom water oxygenation to bring lakes back to life.

-----. *Class 1, 2 and 3 sewage systems*, July 1995. CA2 ON EV.... .... C45.

This information pamphlet outlines the legislation relating to privately-owned sewage plants.

-----. *Combustion and air pollution control requirements for new municipal waste incinerators*, December 1995. CA2 ON EV...3 .... GA-7.

This Guideline applies to new publicly or privately-owned incinerator systems designed to burn municipal waste. It was developed on the basis of "Maximum Achievable Control Technology," human health considerations and the approaches taken by other jurisdictions. The guideline will be applied through conditions on certificates of approval in accordance with the requirements of the *Environmental Protection Act*.

## FINANCE

----- *Tax Legislation Bulletin. Ontario Budget 1997 - Changes to the Retail Sales Tax Act*, May 28, 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/budbul-e.html>>.

The *Job Growth and Tax Reduction Act, 1997* (Bill 129), introduced on May 6, 1997, includes amendments to the *Retail Sales Tax Act* announced by the Minister of Finance as part of the 1997 Ontario Budget. Further details of these measures, enacted through Bill 129, are provided here, including those relating to purchases of computer programs and to some computer-related services

----- *Ontario Budget 1997*, May 6, 1997.

This is Finance Minister Ernie Eves' second budget since election to office in June 1995.

----- *Disclosure for 1996 under the Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act, 1996*, April 21, 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/salary96.zip>>.

Under the *Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act, 1996*, the provincial government is required to publish a list of all civil Crown employees who receive salaries over \$100,000. This is the list for 1996.

----- *Property Assessment in Ontario: What you need to know*, April 17, 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/ont-eng.pdf>>.

Background document on the property tax assessment reform initiative.

----- *Extension of the Land Transfer Tax Refund to First-time Home Buyers*, March 31, 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/ltext-e.html>>.

Backgrounder on initiative to help first-time buyers of newly-built homes, and to promote job creation in the housing industry the Ontario Government is extending the refund of land transfer tax paid on the purchase of the home, up to a maximum of \$1,725. This initiative was originally announced in the 1996 Ontario Budget.

----- *Committee on Small Business Access to Capital: Financing Jobs and Growth, Report to The Honourable Ernie Eves, Q.C.*, February 1997.

The 1996 Ontario Budget Speech announced that the government would create a Committee to "...consider innovative ideas to foster the establishment of private-sector financed equity funds that focus on new and emerging small

businesses.” The Committee on Small Business Access to Capital, created in the fall of 1996, reviewed over 200 recommendations from recent studies on small business financing and discussed practical measures that could be taken to improve access to capital for small companies in Ontario. The Committee also received several briefings from staff in the Ministries of Finance and Economic Development, Trade and Tourism on a wide range of small business issues, including access to capital, financial institution regulatory issues and 1996 Budget initiatives.

The Committee was co-chaired by Mr. Rob Sampson, then Parliamentary Assistant for Financial Institutions and now Minister without Portfolio with Responsibility for Privatization, and Mr. Joe Spina, Parliamentary Assistant for Small Business. At their request, Mr. Jim Brown, MPP, Scarborough-West, Mr. Tom Froese, MPP, St. Catharines-Brock, and Mr. John O’Toole, MPP, Durham East, joined the Committee.

-----. *Ontario Film & Television Tax Credit - Application Rules*, January 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/bul97-1.html>>.

This bulletin sets out various application rules which will be incorporated into regulations made under the *Corporations Tax Act* (the “CTA”) for the Ontario Film & Television Tax Credit (the “OFTTC”). The OFTTC was announced in the Ontario Budget of May 7, 1996, and the enabling legislation was passed into law in Bill 70, which received Royal Assent on October 31, 1996.

-----. *Tax Legislation Bulletin: Dual Rates of Interest on Underpayments and Overpayments of Tax*, December 1996 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/taxbul4.html>>.

In the 1996 Budget, the government announced that, effective January 1, 1997, it would implement a dual interest rate structure which uses a higher rate to calculate interest charged on underpayments of tax than the rate used to calculate interest paid on overpayments of tax. This Bulletin explains the new Ontario dual interest rate structure.

-----. *Tax Legislation Bulletin Inter-Provincial Asset Transfers*, December 1996 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/corptax3.html>>.

In order to prevent corporations from avoiding tax on inter-provincial asset transfers, Ontario is changing the way its income tax legislation adopts the elective income tax rollover provisions of section 85 of the federal *Income Tax Act*. This Bulletin explains these changes.

-----. *Open financial disclosure report*, November 1996. CA2 ON TE.... 1996 O62.

This document was the Province's annual submission to the US Securities and Exchange Commission for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1996. It contains a summary of all relevant financial data in the province.

----- *Commitment to Change Eliminating Overlap and Duplication in the Regulation of The Trust and Loan Industry in Ontario*, October 1996  
[<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/disceng.pdf>](http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/disceng.pdf).

This paper sets out the Ministry's proposals and options for eliminating overlap and duplication in the regulation of trust and loan companies operating in Ontario.

----- *1995-96 Province of Ontario Annual Report; 1995-96 Public Accounts of Ontario*, September 30, 1996 [<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/anualrep.pdf>](http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/anualrep.pdf).

The 1996 Annual Report highlights the major financial achievements of the province and presents a summary of financial information. The 1995-96 Public Accounts, submitted to the Legislature along with this report, include the province's financial statements, the Provincial Auditor's opinion on these statements and more detailed financial information.

----- *Tax Legislation Bulletin: Co-operative Education Tax Credit in Respect of Ontario Students*, August 1996 [<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/coopbul.html>](http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/coopbul.html).

The 1996 Ontario Budget announced a new refundable tax credit for businesses hiring students enrolled in a recognized post-secondary co-operative education program. This Bulletin explains that the new co-operative education tax credit in respect of Ontario students will reimburse businesses 10% of eligible costs up to \$1,000 for each qualifying co-operative education placement hired after August 31, 1996.

----- Tim Hudak and Ed Doyle, MPPs. *Ontario Report on Public Consultations on the Canada Pension Plan*, August 22, 1996  
[<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/cpp\\_eng.pdf>](http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/cpp_eng.pdf).

This Report contains the highlights and recommendations of the public consultations conducted by the Government of Ontario on reforming the Canada Pension Plan.

----- *Treatment of Corporate Reorganizations under the Corporate Minimum Tax*, June 1996 [<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/tax-bllt.pdf>](http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/tax-bllt.pdf).

This bulletin sets out the details of the adjustments made to the corporate minimum tax vis-à-vis income tax deferred by corporate reorganizations.

----- *1996 Ontario Budget*, May 7, 1996  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/budeng.html>>.

This is the Conservative government's first budget after being elected to office in June 1995.

----- *Summary of the draft legislation to amend the Insurance Act and other acts related to automobile insurance*, 1996. CA2 ON TE.... 1996 S721.

This document provides an annotated summary of the draft legislation used by the government to amend the *Insurance Act* and other acts related to automobile insurance.

----- *Summary of the draft statutory accident benefits schedule made under the Insurance Act*, 1996. CA2 ON TE.... 1996 S72.

This document provides an annotated summary of the draft statutory accident benefits schedule made under the *Insurance Act*.

----- *1995 Fiscal and Economic Statement*, November 29, 1995  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/state.pdf>>.

This is the first fiscal and economic statement issued by the Conservative government and outlines details of the second round of expenditure reductions undertaken by the government.

----- *Financial Review Commission, Executive Summary*, November 20, 1995 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/final.pdf>>.

The Report follows from the deliberations of the Ontario Financial Review Commission, which was appointed in late July 1995 with a mandate to review the Province's accounting, reporting, and financial management practices. The Commission's 55 recommendations fall into three main areas: 1) Planning; 2) Financial reporting and accounting; and 3) Crown agencies.

----- *Ontario Fiscal Overview and Spending Cuts*, July 21, 1995  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/finalj21.pdf>>.

The first review of Ontario's financial situation by the newly-elected Conservative government, with a detailed outline of the first round of expenditure reductions.

----- *Corporations tax: a basic guide*, 1995. CA2 ON TE.515 1995 C57.

This guide describes some of the main features of corporations tax in Ontario.

The Ministry also produces a regular series of statistics on various aspects of Ontario's economy. These include:

- . *Ontario Economic Accounts Fourth Quarter of 1996*, May 1997  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/eng964.pdf>>.
- . *Ontario Economic Update*, February 10, 1997  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/ss-engli.pdf>>.
- . *Ontario Economic Accounts - 1996:3*, February 6, 1997  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/eng963.pdf>>.
- . *Ontario Finances - Third Quarter, 1997*  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/3rd-eng.pdf>>.
- . *1996 Ontario Economic Review and Fiscal Year*, November 28, 1996  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/eotlook.pdf>>.
- . *Ontario Finances 1996-97: Second Quarter Quarterly Update*, October 22, 1996 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/2nd97eng.pdf>>.
- . *Ontario Finances*, July 30, 1996  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/1qtr-eng.pdf>>.
- . *Ontario Production by Industry - 1996:1*, July 30, 1996  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/FIN/rdp84.pdf>>

## OFFICE OF FRANCOPHONE AFFAIRS

No policy documents or discussion papers are available on the Office's website.

No Office documents were received by the Legislative Library since June 1995.

## HEALTH

- . *Tobacco: Sounding the Alarm, Report of the Chief Medical Officer of Health*, 1996 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/health/english/pub/report/cmoh.html>>.

A report on various aspects of smoking, including health-related problems such as lung cancer, early death, as well as the costs - both medical and economic - of smoking.

- . *A legal framework for health information: consultation paper*, June 1996. CA2 ON H..... 1996 L22.

Prior to 1996, there was no legal protection for health information held in many settings and few rules about who may use that information and how. This document sets out the Ministry's proposals for a legal framework to govern health information. The document was designed to facilitate public consultation on the issue.

-----, Professional Association of Interns and Residents of Ontario: *Answering the call: towards an effective recruitment and retention program for communities and physicians in Ontario's under-serviced areas: a report prepared by the Professional Association of Interns and Residents of Ontario [for the Ministry of Health]*, 1996. CA2 ON H..... 1996 A51.

In the winter 1996, PAIRO members traveled to and talked with representatives of 65 under-serviced communities about ways to recruit and retain physicians. This report, the product of that consultation, contains 49 recommendations for a comprehensive and effective recruitment programme.

-----, Association of Local Official Health Agencies. *Boards of Health in Ontario - Part of the Solution*, December 1995. CA2 H 1995 B53.

This document proposes a number of the fundamental changes to public health - including boards of health - in order to deal effectively with new economic realities.

-----. *Taking Charge: A New Approach to Preventing Diabetes Complications*, May 1995. CA2 ON H 1995 T11.

This document sets out the Ministry's five-year plan for preventing diabetes complications in southern Ontario.

-----. *Ontario Health Care Restructuring*, November 1995. CA2 H 1995 R251.

This document contains a number of key backgrounders which explain the Ministry's major restructuring initiatives in the months following the Conservative government's election to office.

-----, Office of Health. *Immunization: the next steps: report of the Chief Medical Officer of Health*, 1995. CA2 ON H..... 1995 I55.

This report explains the various reasons for immunization and includes recommendations for the future, including routine immunization schedules.

## LABOUR

-----. *Labour Relations in the Broader Public Sector*, June 1997  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/LAB/ann/announce.htm>>.

This site provides links to a number of backgrounders and fact sheets related to *The Broader Public Sector Restructuring Act, 1997*, including:

- Overview of the Legislation
- Labour Relations Transition Commission
- Dispute Resolution Commission
- How the New Processes Will Work
- Pay Equity Reform
- Municipalities
- School Boards
- Police and Fire Services
- Hospitals
- Ontario Public Sector

-----. *The Employer's Guide to the Employment Standards Act*, April 1997  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/LAB/es/introe.htm>>.

The Employer's Guide to the *Employment Standards Act* reflects the changes made to the legislation by Bill 49. It is a convenient source of information about employment practices in Ontario.

-----. *The Impact on Ministry of Labour Agencies of the Report on Regulatory & Adjudicative Agencies by the Government Task Force on Agencies, Boards and Commissions*, February 26, 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/LAB/ann/factabce.htm>>.

In the September 1995 Speech From The Throne, the government promised to undertake a detailed review of agencies, boards and commissions. In the November 1995 *Fiscal and Economic Statement*, the government announced the creation of the Task Force on Agencies, Boards and Commissions. The 13-member task force reviewed more than 200 arm's-length agencies that have responsibilities such as providing advice to government, providing goods and services, settling disputes or making regulatory decisions.

The Government Task Force on Agencies, Boards and Commissions released its recommendations on regulatory and adjudicative agencies on February 26, 1997. The recommendations build on and reinforce much of the business planning work already started by the Ministry of Labour in its own review of the role and function of its agencies. This document assesses the impact of the Commission's recommendations upon labour agencies, boards and commissions.

-----. *Occupational Health & Safety Act Review Discussion Paper*, Winter 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/LAB/ann/ohsabge.htm>>.

The purpose of this paper is to invite discussion on the review of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*. The paper outlines the principles and objectives of the review, makes an argument for reform, and provides background information on the existing legislation.

-----. *Review of the Pay Equity Act / a report by Jean M. Read*, July 1996. CA2 ON L..... 1996 R26.

Review of the *Pay Equity Act* is required under section 37(1) of the Act. Jean M. Read was appointed in February 1996 to undertake the review. The report is organized according to the following issues:

- the effect of pay equity;
- the role of workplace parties;
- maintenance, sale of a business, and changed circumstances;
- administration and adjudication; and
- small employers.

-----, Cam Jackson, Minister without Portfolio Responsible for Workers' Compensation Reform. *New directions for workers' compensation reform: a discussion paper*, 1996.

CA2 ON L..... 1996 N22.

This paper describes problems facing the workers' compensation system and proposes solutions for the future. This document formed the basis of the Minister's public review in early 1996.

-----, Cam Jackson, Minister without Portfolio Responsible for Workers' Compensation Reform. *New directions for workers' compensation reform: report of the Honourable Cam Jackson, Minister without Portfolio Responsible for Workers' Compensation Reform*, June 1996. CA2 ON L..... 1996 N221.

This is the Minister's final report on reforming worker's compensation system.

## **MANAGEMENT BOARD SECRETARIAT**

-----. *Alternative service delivery framework*, 1997. CA2 ON TB.500 1997 A47.

The framework provides ministries with a common foundation by setting out the guiding principles, range of service delivery options, and selection criteria to choose among the options.

-----. *Guide to preparing a business case for alternative service delivery*, 1997. CA2 ON TB.500 1997 G76.

This guide was developed to help ministries develop a business case for alternative service delivery proposals. It outlines the concepts underlying cost-benefit analysis and the steps and considerations that should be taken in preparing a business case for choosing a particular service delivery method.

----- *Interim report on business planning and cost savings measures*, April 1996. CA2 ON TB.500 1996 I56.

A guide to the government of Ontario's efforts at business planning and related cost savings on a ministry-by-ministry breakdown.

## **Government of Ontario Publications**

Management Board Secretariat maintains the Government of Ontario's home page on the Internet. The home page includes links to reports and documents released by the Government in general and not by any ministry in particular. These include:

----- *Backgrounder on Initiatives for Children at Risk*, April 17, 1997  
(<gopher://govonca.gov.on.ca:70/00/po/press/childpro.eng>)

This Backgrounder includes information on four initiatives announced by Premier Harris for Children at Risk:

- the Preschool Speech and Language Services for Children program (\$20 million);
- the Healthy Babies, Healthy Children program (\$10 million);
- the Better Beginnings, Better Futures program (\$4.6 million);
- a \$10 million grant to Invest in Kids, a privately-run foundation that provides prevention and early intervention programs to protect children at risk from neglect or abuse.

----- *Conflict of Interest and Lobbyist Legislation Backgrounder*, April 23, 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/press/conflict/back.html>>.

This backgrounder includes an assessment of the current situation, examples of existing conflict of interest provisions for public servants, conflict of interest and lobbyist rules and legislation in other jurisdictions, and the government's proposals for Ontario, including an overview of who would be covered by the new legislation.

----- *Summer Jobs for Youth : Summer Experience Program*, April 11, 1997  
(<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/summer>).

Explains that the Summer Experience Program provides a wide variety of summer positions in the Ontario Public Service, related agencies, and community groups. These jobs, paying minimum wage, are available in critical government activities related to legislative or regulatory requirements, public safety, and economic development.

-----. *Report of the Government Task Force on Agencies, Boards and Commissions*, Government Task Force on Agencies, Boards and Commissions, January 29, 1997 (<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/press/abc/report.html>).

In the November 1995 *Fiscal and Economic Statement*, the government announced the creation of the Red Tape Review Commission. The Commission's mandate was to review existing regulatory measures, especially as they affect business and institutions, and to make recommendations to Cabinet on how to eliminate regulatory measures. The Commission was also instructed to design an ongoing evaluation or impact test and review process for proposed regulatory measures that have an impact on business and institutions. The 13-member task force reviewed more than 200 arm's-length agencies that have responsibilities such as providing advice to government, providing goods and services, settling disputes or making regulatory decisions.

Phase one of the Commission's work, the review of advisory agencies, was completed in May 1996. Phase two, the review of operational agencies, was completed in December 1996. This report is the product of the second review.

-----. *Government Task Force on Agencies, Boards and Commissions: Report on Restructuring Regulatory and Adjudicative Agencies*, Government Task Force on Agencies, Boards and Commissions, February 26, 1997  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/press/abc/back4.html>>.

This Report is the product of phase three of the Task Force's work, the review of regulatory and adjudicative agencies.

-----. *Cutting the Red Tape Barriers to Jobs and Better Government*, Final Report of the Red Tape Review Commission, January 22, 1997  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/press/redtape/index.html>>.

This is the Task Force's Final Report.

-----. *Backgrounder on amendments to Police Services Act, Ministry of the Solicitor General*, January 14, 1997  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/press/solgen/backjan15.html>>.

This Backgrounder provides information on the Ministry's proposed revisions to the *Police Services Act* which were designed to ensure effective service delivery; reduce administrative and operational duplication; flexibly meet current and emerging police service priorities; and ensure accountability at both municipal and provincial levels.

-----, the Advisory Board on the Voluntary Sector. *Sustaining a Civic Society: Voluntary Action in Ontario, Report of the Advisory Board on the*

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*Voluntary Sector.* January 1997

<<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/press/abc/report1.html>>.

Appointed in mid-1996 by the Premier's Office, the Advisory Board's report to Julia Munro, PA to the Premier, is described as "the result of our extensive consultation process with the voluntary sector and other stakeholders in communities across Ontario. Much of the content refers to the provincial government's role; however, we have also included our findings regarding the roles of the voluntary sector, other levels of government, the community, business and labour. It is our hope that these stakeholders will also benefit from and act upon these recommendations."

-----, Charitable Gaming Allocation Working Group. *Discussion paper on a mechanism for allocating video lottery revenues and the access of charities to charity gaming halls.* December 1996

<<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/press/charity.html>>.

In November 1996, Marilyn Mushinski, Minister of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation, announced a consultation process to solicit the views of individuals and groups with a stake in the voluntary sector and charitable gaming on two key issues:

- How should video lottery revenues to be directed to Ontario charities be allocated? and
- How can it be ensured that charities have fair access to the permanent charity gaming halls set up to replace roving charity casinos?

The government named a working group to consult with stakeholders and make recommendations to the government in early 1997. This discussion paper outlines the objectives, scope and key issues of the consultation.

-----, *Your Ontario, Your Choice : A Preliminary Look at the Referendum Alternative*, The Premier's Office, September 4, 1996

<[http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/premier/refnew\\_e.html](http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/premier/refnew_e.html)>.

A discussion paper published by the Premier's Office which describes various alternatives for referenda in Ontario.

-----, *Recommendations from the Task Force on Strict Discipline for Young Offenders*, the Task Force on Strict Discipline for Young Offenders, August 1996

<<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/press/solgen/execsum.html>>.

The Task Force on Strict Discipline for Young Offenders was appointed on November 20, 1995 by the Solicitor General and Minister of Correctional Services. The Task Force's recommendations dealt with the overall development and operation of a strict discipline programme.

Members of the Task Force were: Gary Carr, M.P.P. Oakville South, Parliamentary Assistant to the Solicitor General and Minister of Correctional Services (Co-chair); Janet Ecker, M.P.P. Durham West, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Community and Social Services (co-chair); Gary Allan; R. Archie Ferguson; Franco Fragomeni; Norman David Inkster; Norman Peel, Q.C.; the Honourable Judge John M. Seneshen; Peter A. Sampaio, Researcher, Editor and Task Force Coordinator.

-----. *The Report and Recommendations of Mr. Justice Archie Campbell's Investigation into the Investigation of Charges Laid against Paul Bernardo*, Mr. Justice Archie Campbell, July 11, 1996  
<<http://www.gov.on.ca/MBS/english/press/summary.html>>.

On December 13, 1995, Mr. Justice Archie Campbell was appointed to review various aspects of the investigations that led to charges being laid against Paul Bernardo. The report identified issues and recommended policies or procedures that would improve the responses of the police, the Centre of Forensic Sciences and the Coroner's Office to effectively and efficiently deal with crimes of the nature investigated.

## MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS AND HOUSING

-----. *Provincial policy statement, 1997*, February 1997. CA2 ON MA.... 1997 P66.

Issued under Section 3 of the *Planning Act*, this Policy Statement provides policy direction on matters of provincial interest related to land use planning and development.

-----. *I Toronto for all of us*, December 1996. CA2 ON MA.... .... O57.

This pamphlet was sent to Toronto households to explain proposed changes to Metropolitan Toronto's governance structure.

-----. *A guide to municipal restructuring*, August 1996. CA2 ON MA.... 1996 G75.

This guide was designed to help municipalities investigate restructuring options and develop restructuring proposals. It includes a practical summary of relevant portions of the *Savings and Restructuring Act, 1996*, and the *Municipal Act*.

-----. *Changes to Ontario's planning process*, May 1996. CA2 ON MA.... .... C34.

This backgrounder summarizes legislative and policy changes to Ontario's planning process.

-----, Metropolitan Toronto Housing Authority. *Rebuilding MTHA: meeting the challenge: a report to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing*, 1996. CA2 ON HCA..2 1996 R25.

Not available for annotation at time of publication.

-----. *Provincial policy statement: draft for discussion purposes*, December 1995. CA2 ON MA.... 1995 P66.

Proposed to be issued under Section 3 of the *Planning Act* as amended by Bill 20, this Policy Statement was to provide policy direction on matters of provincial interest related to land use planning and development.

## Local Government

-----. *Municipal Restructuring*, 1996 to present  
[<http://nrsserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/business/munres-e.htm>](http://nrsserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/business/munres-e.htm).

This site includes a number of news releases which provide up-to-date information of municipal restructuring initiatives across the province, including:

- Waterloo Region - June 2, 1997;
- Lanark County - May 16, 1997;
- Elgin County - May 16, 1997;
- The United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry - May 16, 1997;
- The United Counties of Leeds and Grenville - May 16, 1997;
- Hastings County - May 16, 1997;
- The District Of Nipissing - May 14, 1997;
- County of Middlesex - May 9, 1997;
- Simcoe County - May 9, 1997;
- District of Parry Sound - May 9, 1997;
- Hastings County - May 9, 1997;
- Chatham-Kent - April 28, 1997;
- Prince Edward County - April 3, 1997;
- Hastings and Northumberland Counties - April 3, 1997;
- Lanark County - April 2, 1997;
- Dufferin County - April 2, 1997;
- Prescott and Russell - April 2, 1997;
- District of Manitoulin - April 2, 1997;
- Peterborough County - April 2, 1997;
- Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth - February 14, 1997;

- Kent County And City Of Chatham - February 6, 1997;
- Ottawa-Carleton - December 17, 1996;
- Prince Edward County Restructuring - November 29, 1996;
- Frontenac and Lennox and Addington - October 28, 1996.

----- *Consultation Paper: Outline Of The Proposed New Municipal Act, Including An Explanation Of Proposed Policy Changes*, March 10, 1997  
<<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/intnews/business/framework/index-e.htm>>.

This paper forms the basis of the Ministry's public consultation on proposed changes to the *Municipal Act*.

----- *Developing the Framework for a Greater Toronto Services Board: A Discussion Paper*, February 1997  
<<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/intnews/backgrnd/970213e.htm>>.

This discussion paper deals with a proposal to establish a services board for the Greater Toronto Area. It was prepared by a Special Advisor to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and presents a number of options and considerations for such a board.

----- *Report of E. Hardeman on the Implementation of the Memorandum of Negotiations Hamilton-Wentworth*, January 31, 1997  
<<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/intnews/backgrnd/970214e.htm>>.

On December 17, 1996, the Government appointed Ernie Hardeman, MPP, as Commissioner, to review the Memorandum of Negotiations signed by Hamilton-Wentworth municipal representatives on November 8, 1996. In addition to providing advice to the Minister on how best to implement the terms of the Memorandum, Mr. Hardeman was asked to comment on the outstanding concerns with respect to the exterior boundaries of the proposed new city and its system of representation. He was also asked to provide advice on such matters as the size of council, method of election, the parameters of the proposal to create community councils and transition committee powers and composition. This is Mr. Hardeman's Report and recommendations on these issues.

----- *Who does What?*, Speech by Education and Training Minister John Snobelen, January 17, 1997  
<<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/intnews/backgrnd/970117he.htm>>.

This speech sets out in one place the government's position on the Who Does What Panel's recommendations, and includes the following headings: Where will the changes be?; Municipal Administration; Impacts on Northern Municipalities; Impacts on Rural Municipalities; Saving tax dollars; and What's Next?

----- *Newsrelease: Leach Releases Final Who Does What Letter*, December 30, 1996 <<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/business/whowhate.htm>>.

Established in the summer of 1996, the Who Does What Panel was appointed to assess provincial-municipal relations in Ontario and make recommendations to simplify them. The Panel was organized into several sub-panels and made recommendations to the government in the form of letters on various issues or areas of concern. This news release contains the text of all of the letters submitted by the Who Does What Panel, including:

- Final letter from David Crombie, chair of the Who Does What Panel;
- Recommendations of the SubPanel on Social Services;
- Recommendations of the SubPanel on Municipal Administration re: Provincial Offenses;
- Recommendations of the SubPanel on Municipal Administration re: Public Libraries;
- Recommendations of the SubPanel on Transportation & Utilities;
- Recommendations of the SubPanel on Assessment & Property Tax Reform re: Farm Tax Rebate;
- Recommendations of the SubPanel on Assessment & Property Tax Reform re: Tax Governance; and
- Progress report on the activities of the Who Does What Advisory Panel.

----- *Fresh Start: An Estimate of Potential Savings And Costs From The Creation of a Single-Tier Local Government for Toronto*, December 1996 <<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/inthnews/releases/961217ce.htm>>.

KPMG was commissioned to estimate the potential savings that could arise from replacing seven governments - the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto and the six lower-tier municipalities - with a single unified entity.

## **Land Use Planning**

----- *Proposed Exemption Implementation Strategy: Streamlining the Planning Approvals Process*, November 1996 <<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/business/exempt/intro-e.htm>>.

This paper describes the Ministry's strategy for achieving its goal of exempting official plans and official plan amendments from the need for ministerial approval within two years, as set out in the *Land Use Planning and Protection Act*, passed in May 1996.

----- *Provincial Policy Statement*, 1996 <<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/business/policye/table.htm>>.

This Policy Statement was issued under Section 3 of the *Planning Act*. It provides policy direction on matters of provincial interest related to land use planning and development. The policies focus on the key provincial interests related to land use planning. These policies will be complemented by locally-generated policies regarding matters of local interest.

----- *Minister's Letter outlining provincial policy on land uses and development near airports, February 1, 1997*  
<<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/intnews/releases/970203e.htm>>.

This letter outlines the new provincial policy that new residential development and other noise-sensitive land uses will not be permitted in areas near airports above the 30 NEF/NEP noise contour.

Background information on the following related subjects is also provided in the letter:

- List of Airports with NEF/NEP Maps;
- Lester B. Pearson International Airport Economic Impact;
- Ottawa-Macdonald-Cartier International Airport Economic & Employment Impact;
- How is Noise Measured?

----- *1996 GTA Residential Land Inventory Survey, November 20, 1996*  
<<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/intnews/releases/961120e.htm>>.

The GTA Residential Land Inventory survey provides information on the amount of residential land available for development applications. The information is based on municipal records as of January 1, 1996. Previous GTA Land Inventory surveys were completed in 1994 and 1995.

## **Building Regulations**

----- *Back to Basics: Consultation and Principles for the Ontario Building Code, September 20, 1996*  
<<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/intnews/releases/960920e.htm>>.

This paper informed the public consultation process which lead to recent changes to the *Ontario Building Code*. It was distributed in January 1996 to stakeholders with a particular interest in building regulations.

----- *Apartments in Houses Municipal Guide: Update, June 1996 <??>*

This document describes how Bill 120, along with a *Planning Act* regulation authorized by the new legislation, affects municipal planning practice. The Guide also included a description of the building and fire standards which

apply to houses with two units. The document also explains how Bill 20 has altered the regulatory environment for two-unit houses.

## Rental Housing

-----. *New Directions for Discussion -- Tenant Protection Consultation, 1996?* <<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/business/discussn/index-e.htm>>.

This is a discussion paper which formed the basis of the Standing Committee on General Government's public hearings into rent control in 1996.

-----. *The Todd Report*, November 21, 1996  
<<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/inthnews/backgrnd/961121ce.htm>>.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing commissioned economist John Todd in 1995 to analyze the impact on rents in Ontario of removing rent controls. This is Todd's Report.

-----. *The Lampert Report*, November 21, 1996  
<<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/inthnews/backgrnd/961121ae.htm>>.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing commissioned economic consultant Greg Lampert to examine the economics of private rental investment and to identify measures which the government could take to encourage the construction of new rental housing. This is Lampert's Report.

## NATURAL RESOURCES

-----. *Lands for Life - A Commitment To The Future*, February 27, 1997  
<<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/csb/news/lfl.html>>.

This report is the product of consultations conducted over the course of 1996 on the use of Crown land and outlines a long-term planning process for Crown land.

-----. *Hunter Orange Fact Sheet*, March 1997  
<<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/csb/news/orangefs.html>>.

MNR has put in place regulations that require hunters to wear Hunter Orange under certain circumstances. The ministry and hunting groups have recommended for many years that Ontario hunters wear Hunter Orange for safety's sake. This fact sheet explains what Hunter Orange is, who must wear Hunter Orange under the January 1997 policy, and under what circumstances it must be worn.

----- *Background Information on MNR's Red Tape Changes*, January 1997  
[<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/csb/news/jan2297fs.html>](http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/csb/news/jan2297fs.html).

In response to the Red Tape Commission's recommendations, the Ministry of Natural Resources has proposed changes to reduce Red Tape in forestry and forest fire legislation, the *Conservation Authorities Act*, the *Public Lands Act*, the *Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act*, provincial park legislation and surveying legislation. This fact sheet outlines the intent of the changes to various pieces of legislation.

----- *Managed Forest Tax Rebate Program and Conservation Land Tax Reduction Program*, January 1997  
[<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/csb/news/jan1697fs.html>](http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/csb/news/jan1697fs.html).

Since its introduction in 1975, the Managed Forest Tax Rebate Program has encouraged private woodlot owners to manage their properties for the long-term sustainability of the environment. The program offered a 75% rebate on property taxes for the managed forest portion of a qualifying property. The program was canceled by the previous NDP government in 1993. The current government reinstated the program in February 1996. This document provides background information on the programme since its reinstatement.

----- *A forest compliance strategy*, 1997. CA2 ON NR.... 1997 F51.

The Forest Compliance Strategy encompasses all legislation and policy that pertain to operations in Crown forests. While the focus is on users of forest resources on Crown land in Ontario, some of the strategies and actions are appropriate to guide private land forestry. This document was designed to guide policy development, provide direction for compliance, and describe how compliance will be achieved.

----- *A guide to forest management planning*, 1997. CA2 ON NR.... 1997 G72.

This booklet introduces readers to the planning process the Ministry uses for forest management planning. It explains the legal framework, compliance and enforcement of environmental standards, and opportunities for public consultation in forest management planning.

----- *1997/98 Hunting Regulations Summary*, 1997  
[<http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/inthnews/backgrnd/961121ae.htm>](http://nrserv.mmah.gov.on.ca/inthnews/backgrnd/961121ae.htm).

----- *1997 Sport Fishing Regulations Summary*, 1997  
[<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/pubs/fish97.pdf>](http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/pubs/fish97.pdf).

-----. *Nature's best: Ontario's parks and protected areas: the action plan*, 1997.

CA2 ON NR.... 1997 N11.

The Nature's Best programme proposed to establish a system of protected natural areas in Ontario that represent the full range of the province's natural features and wildlife habitat. This document describes the steps the Ministry proposes to take to establish such a system.

-----. *Final public review Wabakimi Park expansion*, December 1996. CA2 ON NR.... 1996 F36.

This document sets out the terms of the final public review of the Wabakimi Park expansion, expected to proceed in 1997.

-----. *Public Review of Proposed Expansion to Wabakimi Provincial Park*, December 1996 <<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/csb/news/wabafs.html>>.

This document outlines the Ministry's public review of the proposal to expand Wabakimi Provincial Park from 155,000 hectares to almost 900,000 hectares (ha).

-----. *A voice for the north: Ministry of Northern Development and Mines business plan - doing better for less*, May 1996. CA2 ON NA.... .... V55.

Not available for annotation at time of publication.

-----. *An environmental assessment of timber management on crown lands in the Megisan Lake area: draft*, January 1996. CA2 ON NR.... 1996 E61.

This environmental assessment was produced by the Ministry as required by the *Environmental Assessment Act*. The purpose of the assessment was to determine if there was an acceptable manner of carrying out timber management in the vicinity of Megisan Lake, which was consistent with sound environmental practices and provided for other uses of the forest.

-----. *Lake trout rehabilitation plan for Lake Huron (Canadian jurisdiction)*, 1996. CA2 ON NRA..7 .... H960002.

This document describes a strategy for the rehabilitation of lake trout populations in the Ontario waters of Lake Huron, including Georgian Bay and the North Channel. Rehabilitation zones, stocking targets, protections measures, habitat management, and research and assessment are discussed.

-----, Parks Canada, Canadian Heritage Rivers System. *Managing the Boundary Waters-Voyageur Waterway as a Canadian river*, 1996. CA2 ON NR.... 1996 M11.

This document outlines the federal and provincial government's strategy for the long term conservation and appreciation of the natural and cultural heritage and recreational opportunities of the Boundary Waters-Voyageur Waterway as a Canadian Heritage River within the established protection of the Ontario provincial park system.

-----. *Niagara Escarpment Land Acquisition Program*, 1996. CA2 ON NR.... N32.

This pamphlet describes the Niagara Escarpment Land Acquisition Programme, an initiative to create a 46,435 hectare park system along the Escarpment.

-----. *Public review of the draft lake trout rehabilitation plan for Lake Huron (Canadian jurisdiction)*, 1996. CA2 ON NRA..7 .... H960001.

This report summarizes the public consultation phase of the Draft Lake Trout Rehabilitation Plan for Lake Huron conducted in 1995.

-----. *Status and outlook for the major commercial fish species of Lake Huron*, 1996. CA2 ON NRA..7 .... H960003.

This is the Ministry's annual report on the status of commercial fish populations in Lake Huron, including annual harvest, effort, abundance statistics for the period 1980 to 1995, and a record of quotas that have been in place since 1984.

-----. *Temagami Strategy*, 1996  
<<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/temagami/tema.html>>.

This document provides information on the government's new comprehensive land-use strategy for the Temagami Comprehensive Planning Area.

-----. *An ecosystem approach to living sustainably: a perspective for the Ministry of Natural Resources*, September 1995. CA2 ON NR.... 1995 E11.

This discussion paper sets out "a collection of ideas compiled and organized to serve as catalysts for discussion and debate." It also "explores some of the implications of a commitment to the ecosphere and describes a framework within which agencies, organizations, institutions and corporations might muster their resources and programmes in support of emerging societal initiatives to live sustainably."

-----. *Abandoned Pits and Quarries Rehabilitation Fund*, 1995. CA2 ON NR.... .... A161.

This pamphlet describes the Abandoned Pits and Quarries Fund, a co-operative initiative between licensed pits and quarries operators, land owners and MNR to rehabilitate abandoned pits and quarries in the province.

-----. *Environmental Information Partnership (EIP): Moose River Basin*, 1995. CA2 ON NR.... .... E531.

Not available for annotation at the time of publication.

-----, Canada. Dept. of the Environment. *Sustaining wetlands in the Great Lakes basin*, 1995. CA2 ON NR.... .... S781.

This fact sheet describes the history and success of the 1986 North American Waterfowl Management Plan, the aim of which was to enhance and protect high quality wetland habitat in North America.

-----, University of Toronto. Urban Forest Working Group. *Sustainable forests in urban Ontario: a framework for an Ontario urban forest strategy / a report of the Urban Forest Working Group*, 1995. CA2 ON NR.... .... 1995 S72.

In the fall of 1992, the Urban forest Working Group was formed to make recommendations for an urban forestry direction for the Ministry. The team recommended strategies in six key areas to effectively promote and support urban forest management in Ontario.

## Fact Sheets

The Ministry has a number of fact sheets on their website which help to explain various aspects of Ministry policies

<<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/csb/news/mainnews.html>>. These include:

- *Burning Guidelines Fact Sheet*, November 1996;
- *Working Around Water? What you should know about Fish Habitat and Building Docks and Boathouses*, November 1996;
- *Working Around Water? What you should know about the Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act*;
- *Working Around Water? What you should know about Fish Habitat and Controlling Aquatic Plants*, November 1996;
- *Working Around Water? What you should know about Fish Habitat and Dredging*, November 1996;

- *Working on Crown Land? What you should know about Mineral Exploration, Building Construction and Road and Trail Construction*, November 1996;
- *Red And White Pine In Ontario: A Fact Sheet*, October 1996;
- *The Owain Lake Block: A Fact Sheet*, October 1996;
- *New Burning Guidelines*, May 1996;
- *Non-Renewable Resources*, May 1996;
- *Prescribed Burn Program*, May 1996; and
- *Ontario Parks - A New Business Model for Ontario's Provincial Parks*, May 1996.

## **Provincial Park Management Plans**

The Ministry of Natural Resources prepares management plans for all of Ontario's provincial parks on an ongoing basis. Preliminary Management Plans contain statements of the Ministry's preferred policy for the park and form the basis for public consultation and review. Management Plans contain all of the adopted policies and directional statements for the management of the park. Management Plans also contain implementation strategies for resource stewardship, operations and development initiatives as well as a summary of the public consultation that has taken place. Since June 1995, the following plans have been published:

-----. *Mikisew Provincial Park preliminary management plan*, 1996. CA2 ON NR.... 1996 M36;

-----. *Misery Bay Provincial Nature Reserve: management plan*, 1996. CA2 ON NR.... 1996 M31;

-----. *Mono Cliffs Provincial Park: preliminary management plan*, 1996. CA2 ON NR.... 1996 M51;

-----. *Shebandowan Lake management plan*, 1996. CA2 ON NR... ...S34;

-----. *Lake Superior Provincial Park management plan*, 1995. CA2 ON NR.... 1995 L17;

-----. *Larder River Provincial Park preliminary management plan*, 1995. CA2 ON NR.... 1995 L16;

-----. *Presqu'ile Provincial Park: background information issues and alternatives*, April 1996. CA2 ON NR.... 1996 P66; and

-----. *Mississagi Delta Provincial Nature Reserve: issues and plan alternatives*, December 1995. CA2 ON NR.... 1995 M321.

## **NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT AND MINES**

No Policy documents are available on the Ministry's website nor were any received by the Legislative Library since June 1995.

## OFFICE OF PRIVATIZATION

-----. *Ontario privatization review framework [information kit]*, 1997. CA2 ON PRI... 1997 O56.

Kit contains backgrounder outlining Ontario's privatization review framework announced in the spring of 1997.

The Office has a list of fact sheets about candidates for privatization posted on its website, including:

- *Tree Nurseries* <<http://www.gov.on.ca/privatiz/english/candup01.pdf>>;
- *Province of Ontario Savings Office* <<http://www.gov.on.ca/privatiz/english/candup02.pdf>>;
- *Metro Toronto Convention Centre* <<http://www.gov.on.ca/privatiz/english/candup03.pdf>>;
- *Ortech Corporation* <<http://www.gov.on.ca/privatiz/english/candup04.pdf>>.

While the website does not contain any formal policy documents, it does contain the text of speeches outlining important policy statements. These include:

-----. *Ontario Privatization Review Framework*, Speech by the Honourable Rob Sampson, Minister Without Portfolio With Responsibility for Privatization, to the Canadian Institute Alternative Service Delivery Conference, May 8, 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/privatiz/english/speech04.pdf>>;

-----. *Ontario Privatization Review Framework*, Speech by the Honourable Rob Sampson, Minister Without Portfolio With Responsibility for Privatization, to the Ontario Liquor Boards Employees' Union Policy and Objectives Conference, May 5, 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/privatiz/english/speech03.pdf>>;

-----. *Ontario Privatization Review Framework*, Statement to the Legislature by the Honourable Rob Sampson, Minister Without Portfolio With Responsibility for Privatization, April 28, 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/privatiz/english/speech02.pdf>>;

-----. *Ontario Privatization Review Framework*, Speech by the Honourable Rob Sampson, Minister Without Portfolio With Responsibility for Privatization, to the Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships, April 28, 1997 <<http://www.gov.on.ca/privatiz/english/speech01.pdf>>.

## SOLICITOR GENERAL AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

No policy documents are available on the Ministry's website; however, a number of documents have been published in paper format.

-----, KPMG. *Management responsibilities and accountabilities in the Ontario Correctional Services Division*, 1996. CA2 ON SG.... 1996 M16.

In September 1996, the Ministry hired KPMG to conduct a review of management responsibilities and accountability in the Correctional Services Division of the Ministry. This report contains the results of that review as well as recommendations for an accountabilities framework.

-----. *Review of police services in Ontario: a framework for discussion*, May 1996. CA2 ON SG.... 1996 R26.

In December 1995, the Minister announced a comprehensive review of police services in Ontario. This document sets out the framework for discussion and public consultation.

## TRANSPORTATION

No policy documents are available on the Ministry's website; however, a number of documents have been published in paper format.

-----, Professional Engineers Ontario. *Highway 407 safety review: a safety review of the first phase of the Highway 407 project carried out for the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario / Professional Engineers Ontario*, 1997. CA2 ON T..... 1997 H32.

This report is the Highway 407 Safety Review Committee's safety review of the new highway's adherence to standards and road safety issues related to the application of those standards.

-----. *ServiceOntario: [information kit]*, 1996. CA2 ON T..... 1996 S25.

A backgrounder on the IPAC award-winning ServiceOntario kiosks which allow customers to renew their licence plate stickers, pay fines, perform driver, vehicle and carrier searches, report address changes for driver licenses and health cards, order personalized license plates.

-----, University of Waterloo, Institute for Risk Research, Canada. *Transportation Development Centre. Truck safety: perceptions and reality*, 1996. DEWEY 363.1259 T 767 1996.

This is the proceedings of a conference held in September 1995. The conference was held "to identify the key issues affecting truck safety and to lay the basis for a workable plan of action that reflects the views and interests of the various stakeholders."

-----, Québec (Province). Ministère des transports, Canada. Dept. of Transport. *Québec-Ontario high speed rail project: final report*, 1995. CA2 ON T..... 1995 Q75.

“This report presents the results of the Quebec/Windsor High Speed Rail feasibility study, which was funded equally by the governments of Canada, Quebec and Ontario.” The study began in 1992 and was headed by a Steering Committee composed of Deputy Ministers from all three governments.

## **WOMEN'S DIRECTORATE**

No policy documents or discussion papers are available on the Ministry's website.

-----, McGuire Associate Consultants. *Framework for action on the prevention of violence against women in Ontario: phase I final report*, November 1996. CA2 ON WD.... 1996 F61.

This report was commissioned by the Directorate to review and conduct research, analyze models and recommend approaches for addressing the issue of violence against women in Ontario. The report was released in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.





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